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September Chickens and Eggs

All layers in Ohio totaled 43.0 million during September, up 5 percent from a year ago, according to Ben Torrance, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Ohio Field Office. Egg production totaled 1.07 billion eggs, up 6 percent from last year. The rate of lay during September was 2,492 eggs per 100 layers.

United States egg production totaled 8.92 billion during September 2024, down 2 percent from last year. Production included 7.65 billion table eggs, and 1.27 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.18 billion were broiler-type and 91.3 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during September 2024 totaled 375 million, down 3 percent from last year. September egg production per 100 layers was 2,381 eggs, up 1 percent from September 2023.

Total layers in the United States on October 1, 2024 totaled 377 million, down 2 percent from last year. The 377 million layers consisted of 312 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 61.5 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.66 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on October 1, 2024, averaged 79.3 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from October 1, 2023.

Turkey eggs in incubators on October 1, 2024 in the United States totaled 24.5 million, down 9 percent from October 1, 2023. Turkey poults hatched during September 2024 in the United States totaled 20.4 million, down 5 percent from September 2023. The 18.2 million net poults placed during September 2024 in the United States were down 5 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier.

Egg and Hatchery Production – Ohio and United States: September 2023 and 2024

Commodity	Ohio		United States	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
All layersthousand	40,971	42,985	384,814	374,705
Eggs per hundred layersnumber	2,463	2,492	2,369	2,381
Eggs produced million	1,009.2	1,071.3	9,117.9	8,919.9
Turkey eggs in incubators, Oct 1thousand	(1)	(1)	27,010	24,456
Turkey poults hatched, Septhousand	(1)	(1)	21,571	20,388

¹ Only U.S. estimates are published due to the limited number of hatcheries involved.

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